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WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Town of New Gloucester

May 1, 2017

The Town meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m., by the Acting Town Clerk, Sharlene F. Myers.

The Clerk led the Town Meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Linda Chase, Board of Selectmen Chairman, introduced Carrie Castonguay, new Town Manager of New Gloucester, to the audience.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

<i>Nomination of:</i>	<i>Gary Wood</i>
<i>Nomination by:</i>	<i>Beverly Cadigan</i>
<i>Seconded by:</i>	<i>Penny Hilton</i>
<i>No other nominations were made.</i>	
<i>Motion to close nominations:</i>	<i>James Fitch</i>
<i>Seconded by:</i>	<i>Stephen Hathorne</i>
<i>Those in favor of closing nominations:</i>	<i>All</i>
<i>Opposed:</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>Nomination of Gary Wood carried.</i>	
<i>3 votes were cast for Gary Wood.</i>	
<i>Gary Wood was elected Moderator.</i>	

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the Moderator.

The Moderator announced that the Historical Society had food and refreshments available and are accepting donations.

The Moderator explained procedures of the Town Meeting.

The Moderator asked for a motion to allow non-residents to speak.

Steven Libby moved and Jean Couturier seconded a motion to allow non-resident department heads to speak on their respective budgets and this includes Paul First and Carrie Castonguay, as appropriate. The vote carried unanimously.

OPERATIONS:

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$403,761 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 2		Selectmen	Budget Committee
101	Selectmen	\$16,950	\$16,950
102	Administration	\$301,186	\$301,186
105	Elections	\$5,925	\$5,925
106	Assessing	\$37,700	\$37,700
108	Legal	\$22,000	\$22,000
130	Unbudgeted Expenses	\$15,000	\$15,000
138	Fuel Overrun Allowance	\$5,000	\$5,000
		\$403,761	\$403,761

The Budget Committee & Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented.

Motion: James Fitch moved that Article 2 have passage at \$403,761

Second: Barbara Seaver

Discussion: James Fitch commented on this article

Vote: It was voted that Article 2 have passage at \$403,761

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$63,010 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 3		Selectmen	Budget Committee
103	General Assistance	\$18,500	\$18,500
131	Health Officer	\$500	\$500
132	Animal Control	\$16,360	\$16,360
135	Cemeteries	\$22,500	\$23,000
137	Interagency Requests	\$4,650	\$4,650
		\$62,510	\$63,010

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage in the amount of \$62,510.

The Budget Committee recommend passage as presented.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 3 have passage at \$63,010

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 3 have passage at \$63,010

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$459,469 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 4		Selectmen	Budget Committee
110	Emergency Medical Services	\$186,875	\$186,875
111	Fire Department	\$223,837	\$223,837
112	Emergency Management	\$2,500	\$2,500
114	Street Lights	\$7,850	\$7,850
115	Public Safety Dispatch	\$38,407	\$38,407
		\$459,469	\$459,469

The Budget Committee & Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented.

Motion: James Fitch moved that Article 4 have passage at \$459,659

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 4 have passage at \$459,659

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$963,587 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 5		Selectmen	Budget Committee
116	Public Works	\$726,762	\$726,762
120	Solid Waste	\$236,825	\$236,825
		\$963,587	\$963,587

The Budget Committee & Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented.

Motion: James Fitch moved that Article 5 have passage at \$963,587

Second: George Carman

Discussion: Kathleen Potter commented on this article

Vote: It was voted that Article 5 have passage at \$963,587

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$233,439 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 6		Selectmen	Budget Committee
104	Buildings & Grounds	\$ 67,148	\$ 69,148
113	Cable TV	\$ 13,500	\$ 14,000
123	Library	\$ 98,506	\$ 98,506
133	Parks & Recreation	\$ 51,785	\$ 51,785
		\$ 230,939	\$233,439

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage in the amount of \$230,939.

The Budget Committee recommend passage as presented.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 6 have passage at \$233,439
Second: George Carman
Discussion: Scott Doyle, Harvey Price and Linda Chase commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 6 have passage at \$233,439

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$137,144 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 7		Selectmen	Budget Committee
107	Code Enforcement	\$ 64,351	\$ 64,351
122	Planning	\$ 70,318	\$ 70,318
124	Environmental Resources	\$ 900	\$ 900
126	Water Resources	\$ 300	\$ 300
129	Sabbathday Lake Testing	\$ 1,275	\$ 1,275
		\$137,144	\$137,144

The Budget Committee & Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented.

Motion: George Carman moved that Article 7 have passage at \$137,144
Second: James Fitch
Discussion: Roger Levasseur and Paul First commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 7 have passage at \$137,144

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$793,005 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:

Article 8		Selectmen	Budget Committee
109	Insurance	\$425,255	\$425,255
125	Social Security/Retirement	\$188,100	\$188,100
139	Debt Service	\$179,650	\$179,650
		\$793,005	\$793,005

The Budget Committee & Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 8 have passage at \$793,005
Second: George Carman
Discussion: None
Vote: It was voted that Article 8 have passage at \$793,005

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$247,000 from taxation for the ensuing year for the following:

144	TIF District	\$235,000	(Estimated; determined when tax rate calculated.)
145	Tax Abatements	<u>12,000</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>\$247,000</u>	

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 9 have passage at \$247,000
Second: George Carman
Discussion: None
Vote: It was voted that Article 9 have passage at \$247,000

CAPITAL PROJECTS & RESERVES:

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$64,000 from Capital Reserve Account and Taxation (G1-403 – \$51,880; Taxation \$12,120) in the ensuing year for Cistern installation, and authorize the Town Manager to approve the content and form of the conveyance easement and accept said easement.

Account 128

Cistern Installation	\$51,880 CR \$12,120 Tax
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TOTAL	<u>\$64,000</u>
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The Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 10 have passage at \$64,000
Second: George Carman
Discussion: James Fitch, Steven Libby, James Ladewig, Stephen Hathorne, and Roger Levasseur commented on this article
Motion: James Fitch moved to amend appropriation to \$15,000 for the Cistern
Second: Eric Pflugradt
Discussion: Joseph Davis, Steven Libby and Beverly Cadigan commented on the amendment
Vote: Amendment fails
Discussion: James Fitch, Steven Libby, Stephen Hathorne and Scott Doyle commented on original motion
Vote: It was voted that Article 10 have passage at \$64,000

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$71,280 from taxation and other sources for a Self- Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Update Reserve Fund in the ensuing year.

Account 127

SCBA Update Reserve Fund	\$71,280 Tax
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TOTAL	<u>\$71,280</u>
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The Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 11 have passage at \$71,280
Second: George Carman
Discussion: James Fitch, Steven Libby, Linda Chase, James Ladewig, Richard Maguire, Beverly Cadigan and Joseph Davis commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 11 have passage at \$71,280

- Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$150,000 from taxation and other sources for the Fire and Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Account (G1-388 – \$192,324) in the ensuing year.

Account 127

Fire & Rescue Capital Reserve Account \$150,000 Tax

TOTAL \$150,000

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: Kathleen Potter moved that Article 14 have passage at \$150,000

Second: George Carman

Discussion: Roger Levasseur commented on this article.

Vote: It was voted that Article 14 have passage at \$150,000

- Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$25,000 from taxation and other sources for the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Account (G1-391 - \$51,050) in the ensuing year.

Account 127

Transfer Station Capital Reserve Account \$25,000 Tax

TOTAL \$25,000

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: George Carman moved that Article 15 have passage at \$25,000

Second: Kathleen Potter

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 15 have passage at \$25,000

Account 127

TOTAL	<u>\$2,000</u>
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Motion: Kathleen Potter moved that Article 16 have passage at \$2,000
Second: James Fitch
Discussion: Roger Levasseur, Paul First, James Ladewig and James Fitch commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 16 have passage at \$2,000

Account 149

TOTAL	\$286,000
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Motion: George Carman moved that Article 17 have passage at \$286,000
Second: Kathleen Potter
Discussion: None
Vote: It was voted that Article 17 have passage at \$286,000

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept and spend the following categories of State and Federal revenue funds during the ensuing year:

1. Municipal Revenue Sharing
2. MDOT LRAP
3. MDOT MPI
4. Tree Growth Reimbursement
5. General Assistance Reimbursement
6. Veterans Exemption Reimbursement
7. Snowmobile Registration Funds
8. Public Library State Aid
9. Emergency Management Assistance/Homeland Security Grants
10. Other State Aid (*pass-through funds and property tax relief*)
11. State and Federal Grants or Other Funds (*not included in items 1 – 10 above.*)

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: George Carman moved that Article 18 have passage as presented

Second: Kathleen Potter

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 18 have passage as read

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to apply the following anticipated Revenues to reduce the tax commitment: Revenue amounts shown are estimates.

Revenue	
Building Inspection & Fees	\$ 25,300
Transfer Station Permits	\$ 2,500
Boat Excise Tax	\$ 7,000
Auto Excise Tax	\$ 980,000
Town Fees	\$ 17,000
Recreation Program Fees	\$ 22,580
Fines & Reimbursements	\$ 400
Clerk Fees	\$ 5,000
Rent Income	\$ 1
Copy/Fax Fees	\$ -
Cable Franchise Fees	\$ 28,000
Library Revenue	\$ 1,200
Investment Income	\$ 3,000
Capital Project Accounts Interest	\$ 1,200
Animal Control	\$ 1,000
Transfer Station Recycling	\$ 30,000
Real Estate Tax Interest	\$ 30,000
EMS Transport	\$ 125,000
Capital Reserve Funds (Contingent Art. 10)	\$ 51,880
Undesignated Fund	\$ 260,000
TIF (Fire Station Annual Debt)	\$ 140,000
Municipal Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund	\$ 58,000
Maine Pers Reserve	\$ 30,000
Total	\$ 1,819,061

The Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: Kathleen Potter moved that Article 19 have passage as presented
Second: James Fitch
Discussion: Scott Doyle and Paul First commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 19 have passage as read

Article 20. DISPOSITION OF FORECLOSED PROPERTY

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the following foreclosed properties in such manner and on such terms as the Board of Selectmen finds to be in the best interests of the Town.

MAP	LOT	LOCATION	LAND/BUILDINGS
6	33-A1	476 Snow Hill Road	Mobile
13	14-5	5 Spring Valley Lane	Mobile
6	39	Emmaus Road	Land
1	17-3	Pond Road	Land
6	4	684 Lewiston Road	Mobile and Land
10	13-K3	182 Bald Hill Road K3	Mobile

Motion: George Carman moved that Article 20 have passage as presented

Second: Kathleen Potter

Discussion: Joseph Davis, Steven Libby and Paul First commented on this article

Vote: It was voted that Article 20 have passage as read

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an ordinance prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Retail Marijuana Social Clubs in the Municipality of New Gloucester.

Ordinance Prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Retail Marijuana Social Clubs in the Municipality of New Gloucester

Section 1. Authority.

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Marijuana Legalization Act, 7 M.R.S.A. c. 417; and Municipal Home Rule Authority, Me. Const., art. VIII, pt. 2; and 30-A M.R.S.A. § 3001.

Section 2. Definitions.

For purposes of this ordinance, retail marijuana establishments, including retail marijuana stores, retail marijuana cultivation facilities, retail marijuana products manufacturing facilities and retail marijuana testing facilities, and retail marijuana social clubs are defined as set forth in 7 M.R.S.A. § 2442.

Section 3. Prohibition on Retail Marijuana Establishments and Retail Marijuana Social Clubs.

Retail marijuana establishments, including retail marijuana stores, retail marijuana cultivation facilities, retail marijuana products manufacturing facilities, and retail marijuana testing facilities, and retail marijuana social clubs, are expressly prohibited in this municipality.

No person or organization shall develop or operate a business that engages in retail or wholesale sales of a retail marijuana product, as defined by 7 M.R.S.A. § 2442.

Nothing in this ordinance is intended to prohibit any lawful use, possession or conduct pursuant to the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act, 22 M.R.S.A. c. 558-C.

Section 4. Effective date; duration.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon enactment by the municipal legislative body unless otherwise provided and shall remain in effect until it is amended or repealed.

Section 5. Penalties.

This ordinance shall be enforced by the municipal officers or their designee. Violations of this ordinance shall be subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4452.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 21 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: Richard Maguire, Peter Bragdon, John Randall, James Fitch, Hal Phillips, Steven Libby, Joseph Davis and Paul First commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 21 have passage as read

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an ordinance setting term limits for the Board of Selectmen, as below:

**Ordinance for Establishing Term Limits for Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of New Gloucester, Maine**

SECTION 1. Authority

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to Title 30-A, M.R.S.A., sections 3001 and 3002.

SECTION 2. Purpose

The number of consecutive terms of office are limited for members of the New Gloucester Board of Selectmen, as provided herein.

SECTION 3. Applicability

The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to current members retroactively, as well as to future members, of the New Gloucester Board of Selectmen.

SECTION 4. Term Limits

Selectmen shall serve no more than three (3) consecutive three (3) year full terms. Service as an elected member of the board to fill a vacant position shall not count toward the maximum period of consecutive service stated in the preceding sentence. After an absence of three (3) years or more from that office, a citizen may run for and hold the office of selectmen again.

SECTION 5. Severability

Any section or provision of this ordinance found to be invalid shall not affect the validity of the remaining provision of the ordinance.

SECTION 6. Amendments

This ordinance may be amended by a majority vote at any legal Town Meeting when such amendment is published in the warrant calling for the meeting.

SECTION 7. Effective Date

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect concurrently with its passage at Town Meeting.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 22 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: Patti Mikkelsen, Michael Bagley, Roger Levasseur, Stephen Hathorne, Steven Libby, Laura Sturgis, Kathleen Potter, Peter Bragdon, Beverly Cadigan and Joseph Davis commented on this article
Motion: Roger Levasseur asked to move the question
Second: Stephen Hathorne
Vote: 66 yes 44 no. The article 22 passed as presented

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to amend the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance by adopting revisions pertaining to wetland buffers, per the below text.

Under Section 5.1.26.F.Wetland Buffers, make the following revision:

1. Except wetlands less than 4,300 square feet and all forested wetlands,
Bbuffers of 100 ft. in width shall be located around all wetlands as measured from the wetland/upland edge, provided that the Planning Board may reduce the required buffer when:
 - a. critical wetlands are distinctly separated from adjacent areas by topography or other natural features; and
 - b. when it is determined that the reduced buffer will offer the wetland adequate protection.

Under Section 2.2, revise the following definition:

Wetland, Forested – ~~a wetland of significance~~ a freshwater wetland dominated by woody vegetation that is ~~six meters (approximately twenty (20 feet) twenty (20) feet in height or taller.~~

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 23 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: Steven Chandler, Will Johnston, Duayne Martel and Joseph Davis commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 23 failed

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance by adopting several “housekeeping” changes aimed at streamlining the development review process per the below text.

1. Under Village, Upper Village and Residential-Commercial Districts (Section 4):

Under Permitted Uses (not requiring Planning Board site review) for the above districts, add:

Accessory residential uses or structures and residential additions outside of the Historic Resource Overlay District

Under Permitted Uses Allowed With Site Review, make the following revision:

Uses or structures that are accessory to the above uses, except accessory residential uses and additions as permitted above

2. For all Districts except Shoreland and Historic Resource Overlay Districts (Section 4).

Under Permitted Uses (not requiring site review) for these districts add:

Expansions of up to 200 square feet to non-residential structures if such expansions otherwise meet dimensional and other ordinance requirements and structure is located outside of Historic Resource Overlay District

3. For Historic Resource Overlay District: Under 4.4.9 make the following revision:

Uses:

Permitted uses shall be those allowed in the underlying district, except that site plan review shall be required for all uses except agriculture and home occupations. Minor additions up to 200 square feet shall be allowed without site plan approval upon review and approval by the Code Enforcement Officer if the expansion is not visible from the road and such expansion otherwise meets dimensional and other ordinance requirements

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 24 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 24 have passage as read

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance by adding a new subsection pertaining to notification of abutters of new commercial uses and conversions undergoing Planning Board site review per the below text.

Under 7.3 (Site Plan) Application Procedures, add the following subsection:

7.3.4 Required Notification. For proposed projects that involve a new commercial use or the conversion of a residential use or non-commercial use to a commercial use requiring Planning Board site plan review, the applicant shall notify all abutters within 250 feet of the subject property that an application has been submitted to the Planning Board. The applicant shall provide proof of notification by certified mail, return receipt required. Owners of abutting properties shall be those listed in the most recent tax records of the Town of New Gloucester.

Motion: George Carman moved that Article 25 have passage as presented
Second: Christopher Gill
Discussion: Peter Bragdon, Will Johnston and Roger Levasseur commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 25 have passage as read

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance by adding a new subsection pertaining to importation of materials into a site for processing per the below text.

Under Performance Standards, Section 5, add the following subsection:

5.1.35 Importation of Materials for Processing

Demolition debris, stumps, tires, asphalt and other waste products, excluding loam and gravel, shall not be brought into a site for processing, crushing, or storage from an outside location or source, unless such an activity is approved by the Planning Board in accordance with the Mineral Exploration, Excavation, and Removal of Lands Ordinance and any other applicable state and local requirements, including the Maine Department of Environmental Protection's Hazardous Waste Management Rules. Applicants seeking to import material for processing or storage shall make application to the Planning Board under the aforementioned ordinance and also meet the applicable site plan review procedures of the zoning ordinance.

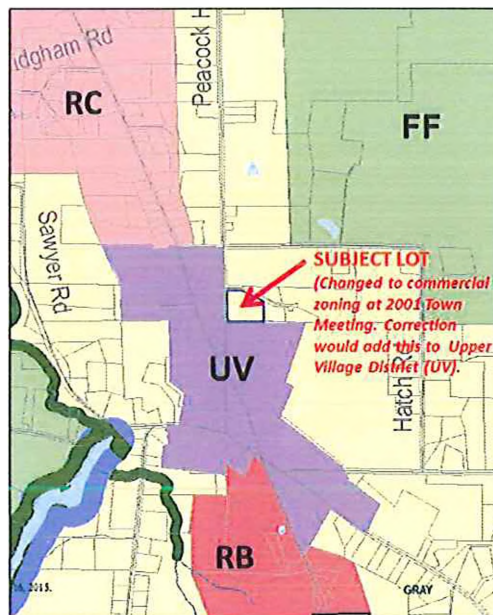
Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 26 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: Will Johnston, Steven Chandler, Roger Levassuer, James Fitch, Steven Libby and Duayne Martel commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 26 failed

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend the New Gloucester Official Zoning Ordinance by changing zoning designation the property at 37 Peacock Hill Road (Map 10, Lot 80) from Rural Residential District to the Upper Village District.

Explanation:

This proposed amendment constitutes a “correction” to the Official Zoning Map for a property at 37 Peacock Hill Road (Connemara Farm) that was changed from Rural Residential (RR) to commercial zoning by a Town Meeting vote in 2001. This change was never transferred onto the Town’s Official Zoning Map (an oversight), but if had been, the property would have been rezoned as part of the Upper Village (UV) District in 2015 when all the commercially zoned properties in the area were so zoned. This proposed change corrects this situation.

Proposed Zoning Map Correction
37 Peacock Hill Road
Map 10, Lot 80



Key

RC: Residential Commercial

FF: Farm and Forest

RB: Residential Business

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 27 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: Will Johnston, Joseph Davis and Eric Hargreaves commented on this article
Vote: It was voted that Article 27 have passage as read

Article 28. AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT REVENUE IN EXCESS OF AMOUNT BUDGETED

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to accept revenue in excess of amounts budgeted on behalf of the town.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 28 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 28 have passage as read

Article 29. AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT GRANTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept, on behalf of the Town, state and federal grants and grants from nonprofit organizations for municipal purposes, including when necessary, the authority to sign the grant contract and accept the conditions that accompany grant funds, and to appropriate and expend grant funds and matching funds required for the authorized purposes.

Motion: Scott Doyle moved that Article 29 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 29 have passage as read

Article 30. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS OF MONEY OR PERSONAL PROPERTY

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of money or personal property to the Town and to appropriate and expend such money for such public purposes as the Board deems to be in the interest of the Town.

Motion: Scott Doyle moved that Article 30 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: Richard Maguire commented on this article

Vote: It was voted that Article 30 have passage as read

Article 31. ACCEPTANCE OF *CONDITIONAL* GIFTS OF MONEY AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept conditional gifts of money to the Town and to appropriate and expend the funds for the legal purposes for which the gift was made and in accordance with any conditions imposed by the donor and to accept conditional gifts of personal property to the Town and to use the property in the legal manner specified by the donor.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 31 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 31 have passage as read

Article 32. RETURNING UNEXPENDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS TO CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to return unexpended capital improvement funds to their corresponding capital reserve accounts.

Motion: James Fitch moved that Article 32 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: None

Vote: It was voted that Article 32 have passage as read

Article 33. ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEREST RATE FOR LATE TAX PAYMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to fix a date and terms when taxes shall become due and payable, and set an interest rate of 7.00 percent per annum. The 7% interest rate is authorized under Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 505.4, as of January 1, 2008.

Recommendation: that the first Friday of October and April, Friday, **October 6, 2017** and Friday, **April 6, 2018** be established as the dates taxes are due and payable, and that interest at the rate of seven percent (7%) per annum will be charged after such dates.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 33 have passage as presented

Second: George Carman

Discussion: Richard Maguire commented on this article

Vote: It was voted that Article 33 have passage as read

Article 34. ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEREST RATE FOR ABATED TAXES
To see if the town will vote to set the interest rate at three percent (3%) per annum to be paid by the town on abated taxes pursuant to Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506-A.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 34 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: None.
Vote: It was voted that Article 34 have passage as read

Article 35. ACCEPTANCE OF TAX PREPAYMENTS
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to Title 36 M.R.S.A. § 506.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 35 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: None
Vote: It was voted that Article 35 have passage as read

Article 36. DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS TOWN PROPERTY AND REAL PROPERTY
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell and dispose of surplus town-owned personal and real property on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen finds to be in the best interests of the Town and to deposit proceeds from such sales in the corresponding capital reserve accounts or Undesignated Fund.

Motion: George Carman moved that Article 36 have passage as presented
Second: Roger Levasseur
Discussion: None
Vote: It was voted that Article 36 have passage as read

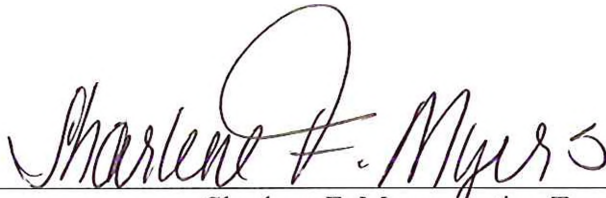
Article 37. USE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM TIME WARNER CABLE PER FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN FOR "PEG ACCESS EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES"

To see if the Town will vote to approve the appropriation of \$5,000 from the Cable Grant Account (G1-203 – \$28,657) for the ensuing year for the following: unanticipated maintenance of cable TV production and broadcast equipment. All unused funds will be returned to Cable Grant Account (G1-203) at the end of the ensuing year.

Motion: Roger Levasseur moved that Article 37 have passage as presented
Second: George Carman
Discussion: None
Vote: It was voted that Article 37 have passage as read

Roger Levasseur moved and George Carman seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:45 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:



Sharlene F. Myers, Acting Town Clerk